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## NOTIFICATION AND CORRECTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 C.F.R. \$1.28(c))

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, SIR OR MADAM:

Applicants hereby notify the Patent and Trademark Office under 37 C.F.R. \$1.28(c) that although applicants established small entity status in good faith at the time of filing the 3-1/2 year Maintenance Fee, it was discovered that the small entity status was established in error.

Applicants hereby withdraw that claim for small entity status asserted at the time of filing the 3-1/2 year Maintenance Fee. Accordingly, the 7-1/2 year Maintenance Fee submitted herewith is being paid as a large entity.

Applicants respectfully requests that the aforementioned change in entitlement to large entity status be entered. Under the requirements as set forth in 37 C.F.R. \$1.28(c)(2)(ii), Applicants are providing an itemization of the total deficient payment as set forth in the table below.

Type of Fee	Current Large Entity Fee Amount	Small Entity Fee Actually Paid	Date of Payment of Small Entity Fee	Deficiency Amount Owed
3-1/2 Year Maintenance Fee	\$1,130.00	\$465.00	February 13, 2008	\$665.00
Total	\$1,130.00	\$465.00		\$665.00

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the total deficiency payment of  $\frac{$665.00}{$1.17}$  and order fees that may be due under 37 C.F.R. \$1.16 and \$1.17, and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 19-1345.

Respectfully Submitted,

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